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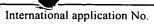
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## INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

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VI Certain documents cited								
VII Certain defects in the international application								
VIII Certain observations on the international application								
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V.	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability;
	citations and explanations supporting such statement

1.	Statement			
	Novelty (N)	Claims	1-7	YES
		Claims		NO
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-7	YES
		Claims		NO
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-7	YES
		Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations

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#### Independent Claims 1 and 3:

The two independent Claims 1 and 3 have been delimited in relation to document FR-A-2 586 076 (D1) and relate to a single workpiece for making a cable anchoring jaw and a production method for a cable anchoring jaw, respectively.

It is known from D1 to produce such a cable anchoring jaw from a single workpiece wherein a generally cylindrical channel is formed to receive the cable, cuts are then made in the single workpiece starting at its periphery and along radial planes thus forming radial slots which delimit angular sectors of the workpiece, said cuts ending before reaching the channel so as to leave bridges which connect the sectors at the bottom of the corresponding slots.

The problem with this type of jaw is that it is not possible to control the way in which the bridges break when the sectors are separated, which can adversely affect the quality of the anchoring.

This problem is solved by the single general inventive concept linking these independent claims, namely that each

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bridge has, on the side facing the respective slot, a surface whereof at least one part is at an angle to the direction (X) perpendicular to the radial plane of said slot, so that the radial thickness at said bridge is at a minimum at a predetermined position along said direction (X). Therefore, the bridge is broken in a predetermined position corresponding to this minimum thickness.

Such a concept is not described or suggested by D1.

The subject matter of the claims appears clearly is industrially applicable.

Therefore, the subject matter of Claims 1 and 3 meets the requirements of PCT Article 33(2) and (3).

#### Claims 2 and 4-7:

These dependent claims refer to improvements to the inventive concept described in the independent claims.